

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Regional Wastewater Control Facility Modifications Project

Community meeting to discuss improvements at wastewater plant

STOCKTON, Calif. – A community meeting will be held Monday, Sept. 24, 2018, from 4-6 p.m., at the Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium, North Hall, 525 N. Center St., to inform the community about the Regional Wastewater Control Facility (RWCF) Modifications Project. City of Stockton Municipal Utilities Department will present the proposed project and provide agencies and community members an opportunity to comment on the scope and content of the environmental impact report (EIR), which the City will prepare as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Members of the community are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The RWCF collects sewage from many properties within the City, special districts outside the City, and certain areas within San Joaquin County. The facility has a 55-million-gallon-per-day advanced treatment capacity located on nearly 700 acres in the southwestern portion of the City, adjacent to the San Joaquin River. Modifications to the RWCF are required to maintain compliance with the RWCF National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, extend the useful life of existing facilities, improve working conditions for facility staff, and implement components of the City's Capital Improvement and Energy Management Plan (CIEMP).

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The proposed RWCF modifications consist of demolition of certain treatment process components and buildings, rehabilitation and repurposing of some existing components and buildings, and construction of new treatment process components and buildings. Existing RWCF facilities would remain in operation during construction of new and rehabilitated facilities to ensure continual wastewater treatment services. The proposed improvements would not provide additional wastewater treatment capacity at the RWCF beyond the existing permitted discharge capacity (55 million gallons per day, average dry weather flow).

For additional information about this meeting, please contact the Municipal Utilities Department at 209-937-8700 or visit <a href="https://www.stocktonca.gov/mudprojects">www.stocktonca.gov/mudprojects</a>.

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